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No. 09F-BD015-BNK

SUPERINTENDENT'S FINAL **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Superintendent of Financial Institutions (the "Superintendent") having reviewed the record in this matter, including the Administrative Law Judge Decision attached and incorporated herein by this reference, adopts the Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order as follows:

Respondents.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Respondents' Mortgage Broker License Number MB 0909196 is revoked effective as of the date of this Order.

NOTICE

The parties are advised that this Order becomes effective immediately and the provisions of this Order shall remain effective and enforceable except to the extent that, and until such time as, any provision of this Order shall have been modified, terminated, suspended, or set aside by the Superintendent or a court of competent jurisdiction.

DATED this 19th day of November, 2008.

In the Matter of the Mortgage Broker License of:

YEA LOANS, INC. DBA HOME LAND

PEARSON, PRESIDENT

40515 N. Candlewyck Lane

Anthem, AZ 85086

INVESTMENT GROUP AND YITZCHOK

Felecia Rotellini

Superintendent of Financial Institutions

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IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In The Matter Of the Mortgage Broker License of:

YEA LOANS, INC. DBA HOME LAND INVESTMENT GROUP and YITZCHOK PEARSON, PRESIDENT 40515 N. Candlewyck Lane Anthem, AZ 85086

Respondents.

No. 09F-BD015-BNK

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

HEARING: October 27, 2008

APPEARANCES: Assistant Attorney General Kelly LaPrade on behalf of the Arizona Department of Financial Institutions; Yea Loans, Inc. dba Homeland Investment Group and Yitzchok Pearson did not appear at the hearing.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Lewis D. Kowal

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Yea Loans, Inc. dba Homeland Investment Group is a corporation authorized to transact business in Arizona as a mortgage broker, license number MB 0909196.
- 2. At all times material to this matter, Yitzchok Pearson was the President and owner of Yea Loans.
- 3. On February 1, 2008, the Arizona Department of Financial Institutions ("Department") was notified by Platte River Insurance Company that Yea Loans' surety bond number 41097518 in the amount of \$15,000.00 had been canceled.
- 4. On September 10, 2008, the Superintendent of the Department issued an Order of Summary Suspension and Notice of Hearing to Revoke ("Order") immediately suspending Yea Loans' mortgage broker's license based on Yea Loans' failure to maintain the required surety bond. The Order was sent to Yea Loans by certified mail, return receipt requested. The envelope containing the Order was not returned to the Department by the U.S. Postal Service.

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- 5. The Department also sent a copy of the Order to National Registered Agent's Inc., Yea Loans' statutory agent on file with the Arizona Corporation Commission.
- 6. On October 3, 2008, the Department received a letter from the statutory agent stating that it attempted to serve the Order upon Yea Loans without success, that it has made every effort to locate Yea Loans and has been unable to locate a more current address other than the address of record on file with the Department and it does not know how to contact Yea Loans. See Exhibit D.
- 7. Richard Fergus ("Mr. Fergus"), who is in charge of supervising the Financial Services Division of the Department, testified that the Department hired a private process server to serve the Order upon Yea Loans.
- 8. The Department presented an Affidavit of Non-Service of the Order at the address of record the Department had for Yea Loans. According the Affidavit, the process server spoke with the current resident who had purchased the home located at the address from a bank stating the home had been in foreclosure. Consequently, the Order was unable to be served.
- 9. Mr. Fergus testified that Yea Loans failed to contact the Department regarding the cancellation of its surety bond.
- 10. Mr. Fergus testified that the Department's records reflect that Yea Loans' canceled bond has not been replaced and that prior to the hearing date, the Department had not heard from Yea Loans regarding the cancellation of its surety bond.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Superintendent of the Department is vested with the authority to regulate persons engaged in the mortgage broker business and has the duty to enforce statutes and rules relating to mortgage brokers. See A.R.S. § 6-901 et seq.
- 2. The Department bears the burden to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that Yea Loans has violated State laws pertaining to mortgage brokers. See A.A.C. R2-19-119. A preponderance of the evidence is "such proof as convinces the trier of fact that the contention is more probably true than not." Morris K. Udall, ARIZONA LAW OF EVIDENCE § 5 (1960).

- 3. Credible evidence established that Yea Loans failed to maintain a surety bond in the amount of \$15,000.00 as required by A.R.S. § 6-903(G).
- 4. By failing to maintain the required surety bond, Yea Loans failed to conduct its mortgage broker business in accordance with the law and violated the provisions of Title 6, Chapter 9 and rules relating thereto, which constitute grounds for revocation of the license pursuant to A.R.S. § 6-905(A)(3).
- 5. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.11, the Superintendent has the authority to suspend Yea Loans' mortgage broker's license if emergency action is required to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.
- 6. Based on the above, grounds existed for the issuance of the Order of Summary Suspension of Yea Loans' mortgage broker's license.
- 7. Based on the above, grounds exist for the revocation of Yea Loans' mortgage broker's license pursuant to A.R.S. § 6-905.

<u>ORDER</u>

Yea Loans' mortgage broker's license summary suspension is upheld and, on the effective date of the Ordered entered in this matter, the license shall be revoked.

Done this day, November 10, 2008.

Lewis D. Kowal

Administrative Law Judge

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Original transmitted by mail this /2 day of **Movemble**, 2008, to:

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